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MEMORANDUM	FOR:	Deputy	Director	of	Central	Intelligence

VIA:

Deputy Director for Operations

Executive Director

FROM:

Chief, Near East and South Asia Division

SUBJECT:

Background for Your SSCI Testimony 20

April

1. Action: None. This memo forwards some background information on State and Defense efforts to generate support in Congress for You may find this useful to know prior to your testimony on 20 April.

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- 2. <u>Background</u>: The attached memorandum to the President (Tab A) was signed by the Director on Friday 16 April. The memo was prepared by the Department of Defense and signed by Secretary of Defense Weinberger.
- 3. State has not signed the memo. A meeting was convoked by the Department on Friday 16 April to discuss how best to bring the Hill around to supporting the program, short of going to the President. At that meeting a compromise was reached between DOD's position of requesting the President to personally turn key members of the Hill around and State's position not to involve the President.
- 4. According to that compromise position, the President would be asked to personally contact Senate Appropriations Chairman Stevens, Senate Majority Leader Baker and SSCI Chairman Goldwater. Key House leaders would be contacted by Cabinet level officials, most notably Acting Secretary of State Eagleburger. The President would be requested to contact Key House members only if Cabinet level efforts failed. State has sent a memo to the White House reflecting this compromise position. This memo went forward as an addendum to the Weinberger/Casey memo to the President. CIA has not received a copy.

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funds out of CIA's FY 83  Budget. It reportedly states that SSCI staffers will recommend that funding be cut. State believes that if the Senate can be persuaded not to cut FY 83 funding opposition in the House may then be open to positive reconsideration of the matter.	25X1 25X1 25X1
6. DOD has drafted a letter, for Weinberger's signature, to Senators Goldwater and Moynihan in their ranking SSCI capacities (Tab B). As of 1700 19 April the memo had not yet been signed.	
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